Notice of Annual District Meeting
(Section 120.08(1))

Notice is hereby given to qualified electors of the School District of Black River Falls that the annual meeting of said district for the transaction of business will be held in the Lunda Theater at the Black River Falls Middle School on the 26th day of October, 2026, at 6:00 pm.

Alexander Woods, Clerk

Notice of Budget Hearing
(Section 65.90(4))

Notice is hereby given to the qualified electors of the School District of Black River Falls that the budget hearing will be held in the Lunda Theater at the Black River Falls Middle School on the 26th day of October, 2026 at 6:00 pm. The summary of the budget is printed below.

Dated this 6th day of October, 2026

Alexander Woods, Clerk

GENERAL FUND	Audited 2024 - 2025	Unaudited 2025 - 2026	Budget 2026 - 2027
Beginning Fund Balance	4,282,207.55	4,029,925.50	3,217,559.70
Ending Fund Balance	**4,029,925.50**	**3,217,559.70**	**3,217,559.70**
REVENUES & OTHER FINANCING SOURCES			
Transfers-In (Source 100)	0	0	0
Local Sources (Source 200)	5,094,551.85	5,745,020.65	6,716,941.00
Inter-district Payments (Source 300 + 400)	375,994.37	456,517.17	570,760.00
Intermediate Sources (Source 500)	15,840.08	21,715.37	17,488.00
State Sources (Source 600)	16,589,830.98	16,623,062.65	16,349,286.00
Federal Sources (Source 700)	1,783,706.53	1,468,478.32	1,215,249.00
All Other Sources (Source 800 + 900)	221,978.36	49,250.47	65,250.00
TOTAL REVENUES & OTHER FINANCING SOURCES	**24,081,902.17**	**24,364,044.63**	**24,934,974.00**
EXPENDITURES & OTHER FINANCING USES			
Instruction (Function 100 000)	9,867,543.87	9,633,705.61	9,544,871.00
Support Services (Function 200 000)	9,381,289.06	10,310,349.13	9,794,547.00
Non-Program Transactions (Function 400 000)	5,085,351.29	5,232,355.69	5,595,556.00
TOTAL EXPENDITURES & OTHER FINANCING USES	**24,334,184.22**	**25,176,410.43**	**24,934,974.00**

SPECIAL PROJECTS FUND	Audited 2024 - 2025	Unaudited 2025 - 2026	Budget 2026 - 2027
Beginning Fund Balance	855,901.23	1,040,843.19	1,201,998.58
Ending Fund Balance	1,040,843.19	1,201,998.58	1,202,096.58
REVENUES & OTHER FINANCING SOURCES	**5,652,142.36**	**6,054,815.70**	**5,708,699.00**
EXPENDITURES & OTHER FINANCING USES	**5,467,200.40**	**5,893,660.31**	**5,708,601.00**

DEBT SERVICE FUND	Audited 2024 - 2025	Unaudited 2025 - 2026	Budget 2026 - 2027
Beginning Fund Balance	1,881,863.33	2,439,884.62	1,972,394.34
Ending Fund Balance	2,439,884.62	1,972,394.34	2,173,518.34
REVENUES & OTHER FINANCING SOURCES	**2,784,397.42**	**2,689,642.37**	**2,552,970.00**
EXPENDITURES & OTHER FINANCING USES	**2,226,376.13**	**3,157,132.65**	**2,351,846.00**

CAPITAL PROJECTS FUND	Audited 2024 - 2025	Unaudited 2025 - 2026	Budget 2026 - 2027
Beginning Fund Balance	424,607.62	53,687.96	55,750.36
Ending Fund Balance	**53,687.96**	**55,750.36**	**57,250.36**
REVENUES & OTHER FINANCING SOURCES	**2,517.67**	**2,062.40**	**1,500.00**
EXPENDITURES & OTHER FINANCING USES	**373,437.33**	**0**	**0**

FOOD SERVICE FUND	Audited 2024 - 2025	Unaudited 2025 - 2026	Budget 2026 - 2027
Beginning Fund Balance	418,988.08	139,177.46	906.58
Ending Fund Balance	**139,177.46**	**906.58**	**906.58**
REVENUES & OTHER FINANCING SOURCES	**1,228,783.25**	**1,232,773.24**	**1,338,440.00**
EXPENDITURES & OTHER FINANCING USES	**1,508,593.87**	**1,371,044.12**	**1,338,440.00**

COMMUNITY SERVICE FUND	Audited 2024 - 2025	Unaudited 2025 - 2026	Budget 2026 - 2027
Beginning Fund Balance	6,274.17	148,809.88	255,374.47
Ending Fund Balance	**148,809.88**	**255,374.47**	**255,374.47**
REVENUES & OTHER FINANCING SOURCES	**475,474.92**	**881,934.10**	**787,568.00**
EXPENDITURES & OTHER FINANCING USES	**332,939.21**	**775,369.51**	**787,568.00**

PACKAGE & COOPERATIVE PROGRAM FUND	Audited 2024 - 2025	Unaudited 2025 - 2026	Budget 2026 - 2027
Beginning Fund Balance	0	0	0
Ending Fund Balance	**0**	**0**	**0**
REVENUES & OTHER FINANCING SOURCES	**26,989.92**	**29,345.50**	**19,600.00**
EXPENDITURES & OTHER FINANCING USES	**26,989.92**	**29,345.50**	**19,600.00**

Total Expenditures and Other Financing Uses

ALL FUNDS	Audited 2024 - 2025	Unaudited 2025 - 2026	Budget 2026 - 2027
GROSS TOTAL EXPENDITURES -- ALL FUNDS	34,269,721.08	36,402,962.52	35,141,029.00
Interfund Transfers (Source 100) - ALL FUNDS	2,995,679.45	2,638,584.49	2,663,786.00
Refinancing Expenditures (FUND 30)	0	0	0
NET TOTAL EXPENDITURES -- ALL FUNDS	**31,274,041.63**	**33,764,378.03**	**32,477,243.00**
PERCENTAGE INCREASE – NET TOTAL FUND EXPENDITURES FROM PRIOR YEAR		**7.96%**	**-3.81%**

PROPOSED PROPERTY TAX LEVY

Levy Summary	Audited 2024 - 2025	Unaudited 2025 - 2026	Budget 2026 - 2027	*Budget w/ passed Referendum 2026 - 2027
General Fund	$4,835,487	$5,582,152	$6,387,310	$7,387,310.00
Referendum Debt Service Fund	$2,603,183	$2,500,000	$2,380,000	$1,900,000.00
Non-Referendum Debt Service Fund	$124,924	$126,939	$127,970	$127,970
Capital Expansion Fund	$0	$0	$0	
Community Service Fund	$448,735	$422,113	$230,488	$230,488
Prior Year Levy Chargeback	$0	$0	$0	
Other Levy	$0	$0	$0	
TOTAL SCHOOL LEVY	**$8,012,329**	**$8,631,204**	**$9,125,768**	**$9,645,768.00**
PERCENTAGE INCREASE -- TOTAL LEVY FROM PRIOR YEAR		**7.72%**	**7.21%**	**11.75%**
Levy Rate	$6.00	$5.69	$5.69	$6.02

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STATE OF WISCONSIN
CIRCUIT COURT
JACKSON COUNTY
IN RE: THE MARRIAGE OF:
Petitioner
Brett Patrick Koch
203 W. Sunny Ln
Janesville, WI 53546
and
Respondent
Helena Elizabeth Ortiz
W11666 Oak Grove Rd.
Black River Falls, WI 54615

Summons with Minor Children
Divorce-40101
Case No. 26-FA60

The State of Wisconsin, to the person named above as respondent:

You are notified that your spouse has filed a lawsuit or other legal action against you. The Petition states the nature and basis of the legal action.

Within 20 days of receiving this Summons, you must provide a written response, as that term is used in ch. 802, Wis. Stats., to the Petition. The court may reject or disregard a response that does not follow the requirements of the statutes.

The response must be sent or delivered to the following government offices:

Clerk of Court, Jackson County, 307 Main Street, Black River Falls, WI 54615

County Child Support Agency: Jackson County Health and Human Services, 421 County Rd. R, Black River Falls, WI 54615

The response must also be mailed or delivered within 20 days to the petitioner at the address above.

It is recommended, but not required, that you have an attorney help or represent you.

If you do not provide a proper response within 20 days, the court may grant judgment against you, and you may lose your right to object to anything that is or may be incorrect in the Petition.

A judgment may be enforced as provided by law. A judgment may become a lien against any real estate you own now or in the future, and may also be enforced by garnishment or seizure of property.

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SCHOOL DISTRICT OF
BLAIR-TAYLOR
Blair, Wisconsin
NOTICE OF BUDGET HEARING and ANNUAL MEETING

Notice is hereby given to the qualified electors of the School District of Blair-Taylor that the Budget Hearing and School District Annual Meeting will be held on Monday the 26th day of October 2026. The Budget Hearing will start at **5:30 p.m.** and the Annual Meeting will start at **6:00 p.m.** The meeting will be held in the Blair-Taylor Distance Learning Lab (I109).

A 2026-2027 budget summary is presented for your review. A detailed budget is available for inspection in the district office between the hours of 8:00 a.m. and 4:00 p.m. weekdays.

Dated this 14th day of October 2026.

David Thompson, Clerk

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STATE OF WISCONSIN, CIRCUIT COURT, JACKSON COUNTY
IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF
BERNARD JOHN KUTCHERA
06/08/2026

Notice to Creditors (Informal Administration)
Case No.26-PR-35

PLEASE TAKE NOTICE:

1. An application for informal administration was filed.

2. The decedent, with date of birth 05/16/1961 and date of death 06/08/2026, was domiciled in Jackson County, State of Wisconsin, with a mailing address of W12269 County Road P, Black River Falls, WI 54615 .

3. All interested persons have waived notice.

4. The deadline for filing a claim against the decedent's estate is 01/14/2027.

5. A claim may be filed at the Jackson County Courthouse, Black River Falls, Wisconsin, Room C207.

Electronically signed by
Beth L. Hammond
Probate Registrar
October 2, 2026

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WNAXLP

STATE OF WISCONSIN, CIRCUIT COURT, JACKSON COUNTY
IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF
ROBERT H. NESBITT

Notice to Creditors (Informal Administration)
Case No.26-PR-39

PLEASE TAKE NOTICE:

1. An application for informal administration was filed.

2. The decedent, with date of birth 01-16-1937 and date of death 08-04-2026, was domiciled in Jackson County, State of Wisconsin, with a mailing address of 1005 Golf Road, Black River Falls, WI 54615 .

3. All interested persons have waived notice.

4. The deadline for filing a claim against the decedent's estate is o1/20/2027.

5. A claim may be filed at the Jackson County Courthouse, 307 Main St., Black River Falls, Wisconsin, Room C207.

Electronically signed by
Beth L. Hammond
Probate Registrar
Oct. 7, 2026

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Blair-Taylor School District

BUDGET PUBLICATION - 2026 - 2027
Required Published Budget Summary Format

A budget summary, notice of the place where the budget in detail may be examined, the time and place for a public hearing on the budget must be published or distributed under s. 65.90. The required minimum detail for the published summary is as follows:

GENERAL FUND	Audited 2024 - 2025	Unaudited 2025 - 2026	Budget 2026 - 2027
Beginning Fund Balance	1,135,507.91	1,623,677.23	2,097,858.10
Ending Fund Balance	**1,623,677.23**	**2,097,858.10**	**2,157,615.10**
REVENUES & OTHER FINANCING SOURCES			
Transfers-In (Source 100)	0.00	0.00	0.00
Local Sources (Source 200)	3,609,109.10	3,601,376.68	3,625,404.00
Inter-district Payments (Source 300 + 400)	599,416.74	685,221.61	800,738.00
Intermediate Sources (Source 500)	497.56	0.00	0.00
State Sources (Source 600)	6,446,263.68	6,642,781.15	6,155,992.00
Federal Sources (Source 700)	718,828.60	647,573.85	438,854.00
All Other Sources (Source 800 + 900)	212,761.87	402,279.41	58,650.00
TOTAL REVENUES & OTHER FINANCING SOURCES	**11,586,877.55**	**11,979,232.70**	**11,079,638.00**
EXPENDITURES & OTHER FINANCING USES			
Instruction (Function 100 000)	4,843,031.31	4,545,532.58	4,611,834.00
Support Services (Function 200 000)	3,653,249.64	4,182,671.19	3,718,656.00
Non-Program Transactions (Function 400 000)	2,602,427.28	2,776,848.06	2,689,391.00
TOTAL EXPENDITURES & OTHER FINANCING USES	**11,098,708.23**	**11,505,051.83**	**11,019,881.00**

SPECIAL PROJECTS FUND	Audited 2024 - 2025	Unaudited 2025 - 2026	Budget 2026 - 2027
Beginning Fund Balance	673,558.47	578,663.85	463,747.26
Ending Fund Balance	578,663.85	463,747.26	413,240.26
REVENUES & OTHER FINANCING SOURCES	2,188,469.38	2,288,105.50	2,286,608.00
EXPENDITURES & OTHER FINANCING USES	2,283,364.00	2,403,022.09	2,337,115.00

DEBT SERVICE FUND	Audited 2024 - 2025	Unaudited 2025 - 2026	Budget 2026 - 2027
Beginning Fund Balance	262,078.44	245,578.70	225,703.94
Ending Fund Balance	245,578.70	225,703.94	205,454.94
REVENUES & OTHER FINANCING SOURCES	1,471,690.09	1,510,315.07	1,520,191.00
EXPENDITURES & OTHER FINANCING USES	1,488,189.83	1,530,189.83	1,540,440.00

CAPITAL PROJECTS FUND	Audited 2024 - 2025	Unaudited 2025 - 2026	Budget 2026 - 2027
Beginning Fund Balance	430,218.90	853,109.47	1,585,575.65
Ending Fund Balance	**853,109.47**	**1,585,575.65**	**2,027,575.65**
REVENUES & OTHER FINANCING SOURCES	**422,890.57**	**732,466.18**	**442,000.00**
EXPENDITURES & OTHER FINANCING USES	**0.00**	**0.00**	**0.00**

FOOD SERVICE FUND	Audited 2024 - 2025	Unaudited 2025 - 2026	Budget 2026 - 2027
Beginning Fund Balance	202,850.54	129,377.52	98,946.10
Ending Fund Balance	**129,377.52**	**98,946.10**	**46,811.10**
REVENUES & OTHER FINANCING SOURCES	**664,216.18**	**669,351.30**	**654,275.00**
EXPENDITURES & OTHER FINANCING USES	**737,689.20**	**699,782.72**	**706,410.00**

COMMUNITY SERVICE FUND	Audited 2024 - 2025	Unaudited 2025 - 2026	Budget 2026 - 2027
Beginning Fund Balance	19,500.18	(47,118.19)	(9,059.40)
Ending Fund Balance	**(47,118.19)**	**(9,059.40)**	**23,323.60**
REVENUES & OTHER FINANCING SOURCES	**589,525.61**	**691,725.81**	**701,000.00**
EXPENDITURES & OTHER FINANCING USES	**656,143.98**	**653,667.02**	**668,617.00**

Total Expenditures and Other Financing Uses

ALL FUNDS	Audited 2024 - 2025	Unaudited 2025 - 2026	Budget 2026 - 2027
GROSS TOTAL EXPENDITURES -- ALL FUNDS	16,264,095.24	16,791,713.49	16,272,463.00
Interfund Transfers (Source 100) - ALL FUNDS	1,702,264.26	1,765,066.59	1,614,148.00
Refinancing Expenditures (FUND 30)	0.00	0.00	0.00
NET TOTAL EXPENDITURES -- ALL FUNDS	**14,561,830.98**	**15,026,646.90**	**14,658,315.00**
PERCENTAGE INCREASE – NET TOTAL FUND EXPENDITURES FROM PRIOR YEAR		**3.19%**	**-2.45%**

PROPOSED PROPERTY TAX LEVY

Levy Summary	Audited 2024 - 2025	Unaudited 2025 - 2026	Budget 2026 - 2027
General Fund	$3,504,681	$3,474,299	$3,533,464
Referendum Debt Service Fund	$1,406,750	$1,445,375	$1,455,250
Non-Referendum Debt Service Fund	$0	$0	$0
Capital Expansion Fund	$0	$0	$0
Community Service Fund	$100,000	$150,000	$200,000
Prior Year Levy Chargeback	$0	$0	$0
Other Levy	$0	$0	$0
TOTAL SCHOOL LEVY	**$5,011,431**	**$5,069,674**	**$5,188,714**
PERCENTAGE INCREASE -- TOTAL LEVY FROM PRIOR YEAR		**1.16%**	**2.35%**

JACKSON COUNTY PROPOSED BUDGET FOR 2027

Pursuant to the provisions of Section 65.90 of the Wisconsin Statutes, notice is hereby given that the hearing on Jackson County's budget for the year 2027 will be held on Monday, November 9, 2026 at 9:00 a.m. at the Jackson County Courthouse, 307 Main Street, Black River Falls, WI 54615

BUDGET SUMMARY - GENERAL FUND / **PROPRIETARY FUND**

EXPENDITURES:	2025 Actual	2026 Adopted	2026 Estimated	2027 Proposed	Percent Change from Prior Year Adopted Budget	2025 Actual	2026 Adopted	2026 Estimated	2027 Proposed
General Government	8,321,866	7,268,898	6,162,430	6,097,091	-16.1%				
Public Safety	7,101,582	7,481,849	6,573,796	8,022,056	7.2%				
Social Services	14,432,630	13,731,472	11,769,598	14,475,129	5.4%				
Culture, Recreation & Educ.	342,165	367,389	367,389	392,521	6.8%				
Conservation & Development	3,531,230	3,536,333	4,382,143	3,406,729	-3.7%				
Public Service	161,503	181,841	163,153	169,766	-6.6%				
Transportation					-8.0%	8,848,722	8,023,665	6,270,119	7,378,160
Debt Service	1,624,063	2,768,787	2,768,787	2,973,969	7.4%	0	0	0	0
Transfer Out	(600)	0	0	0					
TOTALS:	35,514,439	35,336,568	32,187,296	35,537,261	0.6%	8,848,722	8,023,665	6,270,119	7,378,160
REVENUES:									
County Sales Tax	1,993,780	2,045,000	2,045,000	2,129,265	4.1%				
Other Taxes	768,227	604,618	641,583	619,618	2.5%				
Intergovernmental Revenue	10,701,169	10,344,724	8,513,900	9,225,630	-10.8%	1,573,490	1,389,987	1,389,987	1,679,921
Intergovernmental Charges					15.6%	2,018,295	2,216,590	2,216,590	2,332,970
Licenses & Permits	339,263	285,100	303,234	306,200	7.4%				
Fines, Forfeitures & Penalties	164,822	169,000	141,204	150,000	-11.2%				
Public Charges For Services	1,592,876	1,480,350	1,445,716	1,783,100	20.5%				
Miscellaneous Revenues	0	4,301,305	4,177,131	4,563,846	6.1%	132,524	0	0	0
Debt Service Transfer In	0	0	0	0			0.00		-
Transfer In	1,182,227	2,451,368	386,647	4,058,249	65.6%		1,945,284	0	678,141
Fund Adjustment (growth)	142,903	1,879,501	(420,300)	1,552,372	-17.4%				
TOTALS:	16,885,266	23,560,966	17,234,115	24,388,280	3.5%	3,724,310	5,551,861	3,606,577	4,691,032
Net TAX Levy	(18,629,173)	(11,775,602)	(14,953,181)	(11,148,981)		0	(2,471,804)	(2,663,542)	(2,687,128)

2026 BUDGET / FUND BALANCE SUMMARY - ALL FUNDS

	General Fund/ Social Services	Special Revenues	Enterprise	Capital/Co Bldg	Debt Service	Total
Est. Fund Balance 1/1/2026	21,555,619	509,589	9,441,354	309,151	0	31,815,713
Est. Undesignated 1/1/2026	14,628,312	509,589	9,441,354	309,151	0	24,888,406
Budgeted Revenues	8,607,161	12,559,457	4,691,032	169,636	0	26,027,286
Tax Levy	7,598,424	975,070	2,686,288	0	2,767,362	14,027,144
Budget Expenditures	17,657,974	14,780,689	7,378,160	125,054	2,972,544	42,914,421
Excess of Revenues Over (Fund Balance Applied)	(1,138,517)	(977,077)	(840)	44,582	(205,182)	(2,277,034)
Est. Fund Balance 12/31/2026	20,417,102	(467,488)	9,440,514	353,733	(205,182)	29,538,679
Est. Undesignated 12/31/2026	13,489,795	(467,488)	9,440,514	353,733	(205,182)	22,611,372

	2025 Adopted	2026 Adopted	2027 Proposed
TOTAL COUNTY TAX LEVY	12,424,608	12,350,492	13,769,575
COUNTY TAX RATE	5.08	5.22	5.14
COUNTY EQUALIZED VALUE	2,254,373,500	2,366,295,400	2,681,354,700

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A detailed listing of the proposed budget is available at the Jackson County Clerk's office in the Courthouse in Black River Falls, WI

Melissa Windsor
Melissa Windsor, County Clerk/Administrative Coordinator

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Melrose-Mindoro School District

BUDGET PUBLICATION, 2026-27
Required Published Budget Summary Format
Melrose-Mindoro School District

GENERAL FUND	Audited 2024-2025	Unaudited 2025-2026	Budget 2026-2027
Beginning Fund Balance	2,293,170.72	2,380,158.86	2,945,654.24
Ending Fund Balance	**2,380,158.36**	**2,945,654.24**	**2,945,654.24**
REVENUES & OTHER FINANCING SOURCES			
Transfers-In (Source 100)	0.00	0.00	0.00
Local Sources (Source 200)	2,853,403.84	2,818,537.80	3,861,037.00
Inter-district Payments (Source 300 + 400)	912,194.00	990,801.52	976,341.00
Intermediate Sources (Source 500)	7,130.80	23,335.70	23,066.40
State Sources (Source 600)	7,533,675.92	7,681,130.02	7,569,896.00
Federal Sources (Source 700)	281,946.97	293,260.79	301,540.68
All Other Sources (Source 800 + 900)	95,394.65	45,771.38	45,000.00
TOTAL REVENUES & OTHER FINANCING SOURCES	**11,683,746.18**	**11,852,837.21**	**12,776,881.08**
EXPENDITURES & OTHER FINANCING USES			
Instruction (Function 100 000)	5,162,179.98	4,464,070.91	4,952,678.46
Support Services (Function 200 000)	4,187,496.56	4,072,375.37	4,994,503.24
Non-Program Transactions (Function 400 000)	2,247,082.00	2,750,895.55	2,829,699.38
TOTAL EXPENDITURES & OTHER FINANCING USES	**11,596,758.54**	**11,287,341.83**	**12,776,881.08**

SPECIAL PROJECTS FUND	Audited 2024-2025	Unaudited 2025-2026	Budget 2026-2027
Beginning Fund Balance	218,375.97	251,403.38	264,958.97
Ending Fund Balance	251,403.38	264,958.97	264,958.97
REVENUES & OTHER FINANCING SOURCES	250,409.87	225,828.63	225,000.00
EXPENDITURES & OTHER FINANCING USES	217,382.46	212,273.04	225,000.00

DEBT SERVICE FUND	Audited 2024-2025	Unaudited 2025-2026	Budget 2026-2027
Beginning Fund Balance	400,435.08	399,219.60	382,470.38
Ending Fund Balance	399,219.60	382,470.38	382,470.38
REVENUES & OTHER FINANCING SOURCES	1,628,472.02	1,670,138.28	1,745,687.50
EXPENDITURES & OTHER FINANCING USES	1,629,687.50	1,686,887.50	1,745,687.50

CAPITAL PROJECTS FUND	Audited 2024-2025	Unaudited 2025-2026	Budget 2026-2027
Beginning Fund Balance	1,255,455.43	1,270,873.12	1,286,721.98
Ending Fund Balance	**1,270,873.12**	**1,286,721.98**	**101,721.98**
REVENUES & OTHER FINANCING SOURCES	**15,417.69**	**15,848.86**	**15,000.00**
EXPENDITURES & OTHER FINANCING USES	**0.00**	**0.00**	**1,200,000.00**

FOOD SERVICE FUND	Audited 2024-2025	Unaudited 2025-2026	Budget 2026-2027
Beginning Fund Balance	227,604.48	93,780.58	(67,959.18)
Ending Fund Balance	**93,780.58**	(67,959.18)	(193,613.39)
REVENUES & OTHER FINANCING SOURCES	**495,434.34**	**474,270.66**	**504,230.00**
EXPENDITURES & OTHER FINANCING USES	**629,258.24**	**636,010.42**	**629,884.21**

COMMUNITY SERVICE FUND	Audited 2024-2025	Unaudited 2025-2026	Budget 2026-2027
Beginning Fund Balance	(400.40)	(400.40)	(800.80)
Ending Fund Balance	(400.40)	(800.80)	**0.00**
REVENUES & OTHER FINANCING SOURCES	**110,183.99**	**150,592.74**	**111,000.00**
EXPENDITURES & OTHER FINANCING USES	**110,183.99**	**150,993.14**	**110,199.20**

PACKAGE & COOPERATIVE PROGRAM FUND	Audited 2024-2025	Unaudited 2025-2026	Budget 2026-2027
Beginning Fund Balance	0.00	0.00	0.00
Ending Fund Balance	**0.00**	**0.00**	**0.00**
REVENUES & OTHER FINANCING SOURCES	**0.00**	**0.00**	**0.00**
EXPENDITURES & OTHER FINANCING USES	**0.00**	**0.00**	**0.00**

Total Expenditures and Other Financing Uses

ALL FUNDS	Audited 2024-2025	Unaudited 2025-2026	Budget 2026-2027
GROSS TOTAL EXPENDITURES -- ALL FUNDS	14,183,270.73	13,973,505.93	16,687,651.99
Interfund Transfers (Source 100) - ALL FUNDS	0.00	0.00	0.00
Refinancing Expenditures (FUND 30)	0.00	0.00	0.00
NET TOTAL EXPENDITURES -- ALL FUNDS	**14,183,270.73**	**13,973,505.93**	**16,687,651.99**
PERCENTAGE INCREASE – NET TOTAL FUND EXPENDITURES FROM PRIOR YEAR		**-1.48%**	**19.42%**

PROPOSED PROPERTY TAX LEVY

FUND	Audited 2024-2025	Unaudited 2025-2026	Budget 2026-2027
General Fund	2,811,621.99	2,689,849.00	3,834,112.00
Referendum Debt Service Fund	1,628,264.01	1,670,138.28	1,744,262.50
Non-Referendum Debt Service Fund	0.00	0.00	0.00
Capital Expansion Fund	0.00	0.00	0.00
Community Service Fund	50,000.00	50,000.00	50,000.00
TOTAL SCHOOL LEVY	**4,489,886.00**	**4,409,987.28**	**5,628,374.50**
PERCENTAGE INCREASE -- TOTAL LEVY FROM PRIOR YEAR		**-1.78%**	**27.63%**

LOCATION AND HOURS OF POLLING PLACE
FOR ALL RESIDENTS OF THE CITY OF BLACK RIVE FALLS

All elections for the City of Black River Falls residents are held at the following polling place:

Location	Wards
City Hall 101 S. 2nd Street	1-4

ALL POLLING PLACES WILL BE OPEN AT 7:00 A.M. AND WILL CLOSE AT 8:00 P.M.

If you have any questions concerning your polling place, please contact the municipal clerk

A. Brad Chown 101 S 2nd Street (715) 284-2315 8:00 a.m. - 4:30 p.m.
City hall is accessible to elderly and disabled voters.

Notice of Meeting of the Local Board of Canvassers

At the close of voting on Election Day, pursuant to the provisions of Wis. Stat. §19.84, The Election Inspectors at each polling place will convene as the Local Canvassing Board for the purpose of conducting the local canvass pursuant to Wis. Stat. § 7.51. This meeting will be open to the public pursuant to Wis. Stat. §§ 19.81-89.

Ballot ID: 4243 City of Black River Falls, Ward 4

Official Ballot
Partisan Office and Referendum
November 3, 2026

Notice to voters: if you are voting on Election Day, your ballot must be initialed by two (2) election inspectors. If you are voting absentee, your ballot must be initialed by the municipal clerk or deputy clerk. Your ballot may not be counted without initials (see end of ballot for initials).

General Instructions

If you make a mistake on your ballot or have a question, ask an election inspector for help (absentee voters: contact your municipal clerk).

To vote for a name on the ballot, fill in the oval next to the name like this: ●

To vote for a name that is not on the ballot, write the name on the line marked "write-in" and fill in the oval next to the name like this: ●

Statewide

When voting for Governor and Lieutenant Governor, you have one of two choices:
- Vote for candidates on one ticket, *or*
- Write in names of persons on both write-in lines

A write-in vote for only a Lieutenant Governor candidate **will not be counted.**

Governor / Lieutenant Governor
Vote for 1

- ○ Tom Tiffany / David Varnam (Republican)
- ○ David Crowley / Sarah Godlewski (Democratic)
- ○ _____ write-in (Governor) _____ write-in (Lieutenant Governor)

Attorney General
Vote for 1

- ○ Eric Toney (Republican)
- ○ Josh Kaul (Democratic)
- ○ write-in:

Statewide (cont.)

Secretary of State
Vote for 1

- ○ Jay Schroeder (Republican)
- ○ JoCasta Zamarripa (Democratic)
- ○ Pete Karas (Wisconsin Green)
- ○ write-in:

State Treasurer
Vote for 1

- ○ John S. Leiber (Republican)
- ○ Yee Leng Xiong (Democratic)
- ○ write-in:

Congressional

Representative in Congress
District 3
Vote for 1

- ○ Derrick Van Orden (Republican)
- ○ Rebecca Cooke (Democratic)
- ○ Alexander Valiensi Kent (Independent)
- ○ Rustin Provance (Independent)
- ○ write-in:

Legislative

Representative to the Assembly
District 70
Vote for 1

- ○ Nancy VanderMeer (Republican)
- ○ Stephanie Stuve Bodeen (Democratic)
- ○ write-in:

County

Sheriff
Vote for 1

- ○ Kristin Bills Garcia (Republican)
- ○ Duane M. Waldera (Democratic)
- ○ write-in:

Clerk of Circuit Court
Vote for 1

- ○ Jean Sahr (Republican)
- ○ write-in:

School District of Black River Falls
Annual Meeting & Budget Hearing Agenda
October 26, 2026
6:00 p.m.
Lunda Theater

Notice is hereby given to the qualified electors of the School District of Black River Falls, pursuant to Wis. Stat. §120.08, that the Annual Meeting of said district for the transaction of business will be held in the Lunda Theater at Black River Falls Middle School on Monday, October 26, 2026 at 6:00 pm

1. Call the meeting to order – Board President
2. Reading of the notice of the annual school meeting and budget hearing
3. Election of a Chairperson
4. Reading of the minutes of the last annual meeting
5. Treasurer's report and audit summary
6. Presentation of budget – Brandon Jahr
7. Budget hearing - Chairperson
8. Comments on the annual report to the electors – Dr. Shelly Severson
9. Resolution A – Adoption of tax levy
10. Resolution B – Transportation
11. Resolution C – Salaries of Board Members
12. Resolution D – Reimbursement of Board Members' expenses
13. Resolution E – Scheduling of annual meeting for next year
14. Consider other new business within the power and authority of the annual meeting
15. Adjournment

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Referendum

To vote in favor of a question, fill in the oval next to "Yes," like this: ●
To vote against a question, fill in the oval next to "No," like this: ●

State

QUESTION 1: ***"Partial veto.*** Shall section 10 (1) (c) of article V of the constitution be amended to prohibit the governor, in exercising his or her partial veto authority, from creating or increasing or authorizing the creation or increase of any tax or fee?"

- ○ Yes
- ○ No

QUESTION 2: ***"Freedom to gather in places of worship during an emergency.*** Shall section 18 of article I of the constitution, which deals with religious liberty, be amended to prohibit the state or a political subdivision of the state from ordering the closure of, or forbidding gatherings in, places of worship in response to a state of emergency, including a public health emergency?"

- ○ Yes
- ○ No

QUESTION 3: ***"Governmental entity discrimination prohibited.*** Shall section 27 of article I of the constitution be created to prohibit governmental entities in the state from discriminating against, or granting preferential treatment to, any individual or group on the basis of race, sex, color, ethnicity, or national origin in public employment, public education, public contracting, or public administration?"

- ○ Yes
- ○ No

School District

Question: Shall the School District of Black River Falls, Jackson, Clark and Monroe Counties, Wisconsin be authorized to exceed the revenue limit specified in Section 121.91, Wisconsin Statutes, by $1,000,000 per year for four years, beginning with the 2026-2027 school year and ending with the 2029-2030 school year, for non-recurring purposes consisting of operational expenses, including to maintain class sizes and educational programs, transportation costs, and to address staff salaries and benefits?

- ○ Yes
- ○ No

Official Ballot
Partisan Office and Referendum
November 3, 2026

for

City of Black River Falls, Ward 1 -4
Jackson County

Ballot ID: 4243

Ballot issued by

_____ Initials of election inspectors

Absentee ballot issued by

_____ Initials of Municipal Clerk or Deputy Clerk

Certification of Voter Assistance
I certify that I marked or read aloud this ballot at the request and direction of a voter who is authorized under Wis. Stat. §6.82 to receive assistance.

_____ Signature of assistor

For Official Use Only

Inspectors: Identify ballots required to be remade:

- ☐ Overvoted
- ☐ Damaged
- ☐ Other

If this is the **Original Ballot**, write the serial number here: _____

If this is the **Duplicate Ballot**, write the serial number here: _____

_____ _____ Initials of inspectors who remade ballot

Page 2 of 2-sided ballot. Ballot begins on other side. →

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STATE OF WISCONSIN, CIRCUIT COURT, JACKSON COUNTY
IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF
Betty J. Chandler-Anderson

Notice to Creditors (Informal Administration)
Case No.26-PR-40

PLEASE TAKE NOTICE:

1. An application for informal administration was filed.
2. The decedent, with date of birth 6-28-1929 and date of death 8-31-2026, was domiciled in Dallas County, State of Texas, with a mailing address of 5600 N. Shiloh Road, Garland, TX 75044.
3. All interested persons have waived notice.
4. The deadline for filing a claim against the decedent's estate is 01/25/2027.
5. A claim may be filed at the Jackson County Courthouse, 307 Main St., Black River Falls, Wisconsin, Room C207.

Electronically signed by
Beth L. Hammond
Probate Registrar
October 12, 2026

Attorney Dan Arndt
101 W. Oak Street
PO Box 349
Sparta, WI 54656
608-269-1200
Bar No. 1008016

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Notice to Creditors
John R. Murray Estate
(Informal Administration)
STATE OF WISCONSIN
CIRCUIT COURT
JACKSON COUNTY
IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF
JOHN R.MURRAY
Case No. 2026-PR-33

PLEASE TAKE NOTICE:
1. An application for informal administration was filed.
2. The decedent, with date of birth 03/21/1946 and date of death 08/24/2026, was domiciled in Jackson County, State of Wisconsin, with a mailing address of W13418 Murray Road, Room C207, Black River Falls, WI 54615.
3. All interested persons waived notice.
4. The deadline for filing a claim against the decedent's estate is January 7, 2027.
5. A claim may be filed at the Jackson County Courthouse, 307 Main Street, Black River Falls, WI 54615.

Form completed by:
Attorney Alec Sime
Address: 750 3rd Street North, Suite A, La Crosse, WI 54602-0966
Telephone: 608-782-1469
Bar Number: 1138062
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MEETING NOTICE

Please take notice that the Plan Commission of the City of Black River Falls will meet on **Thursday, November 12, 2026 at 5:30 P.M.** at City Hall in the City of Black River Falls to review a proposed Certified Survey Map (CSM) prepared by Arrow Land Surveying on behalf of Justin Dougherty for the following described land:

LAND DESCRIBED AS FOLLOWS:
ALL OF LOT 25 OF LALLAPALOOZA ESTATES, AND ALL OF LOT 17 OF SANDBERGEN HEIGHTS, LYING IN PARTS OF THE SW1/4 OF THE NE1/4 AND THE SE1/4 OF THE NE1/4 OF SECTION 10, T21N, R4W; CITY OF BLACK RIVER FALLS, JACKSON COUNTY, WISCONSIN.

The land is located at 1037 Pine Street, and the proposed Certified Survey Map is available at City Hall. All interested persons are urged to attend.

Alex B. Chown
City Clerk
City of Black River Falls
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Melrose-Mindoro School District
Board of Education
ANNUAL MEETING
BUDGET HEARING
MONDAY, OCTOBER 26, 2026
6:15 p.m.
Junior/Senior High School Cafeteria

AGENDA

1. Call Meeting to Order
2. Election of Chairperson
3. Hearing of the 2026-2027 Budget
   a. Treasurer's Report
   b. Presentation of 2026-2027 Budget
4. Adopt Board Salaries
5. Fund 80-Adopt Levy for Community Service
6. Adopt Tax Levy for the Operation of Schools
7. 2026-27 Referendum Updates
8. Adjournment

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Melrose-Mindoro School District
Board of Education
Regular Meeting Agenda
Monday, October 26, 2026 - 6:45 p.m.
Junior/Senior High School Cafeteria

CONVENE
Call the meeting to order
Pledge of Allegiance
Public Notice
Approval of the Agenda
DISTRICT ADMINISTRATOR REPORT
CONNECTION WITH COMMUNITY
1. Correspondence
2. *Public Comment- Members of the public may request permission to speak **on any item on the agenda** for a maximum of three minutes. A form to speak to an agenda item, available by the entrance to the board room, must be filled out prior to the start of the meeting. The School Board will listen to the speaker but will not engage in a discussion at this time.*

CONSENT AGENDA ITEMS
1. Minutes from the previous month's Regular Board Meeting
2. Finance Report
   a. Review of Expenditures and Receipts through September
   b. Approve Necessary Budget Changes
   c. Act on Check Summary and Vouchers
   d. Cash Flow Report
   e. Activity Account Review
3. **Personnel Report**
   a. Resignations
   b. Hired Staff
   c. Retirement

DISCUSS, CONSIDER, AND/OR TAKE ACTION, if Appropriate
1. Consider/Set Tax Levy for the 2026-27 School Year
2. Donations
3. Changing Board Meeting Date
4. Change Graduation Date in May
5. Early Graduation Request
6. Start College Now Credit Requests
7. Seclusion and Restraint Annual Report
8. HS Agriculture-Based Tour Abroad - Summer 2029
9. Safety Window Film Quotes
10. HS Gym, Track, and Library Name Change Proposal

CLOSED SESSION
The Board will discuss, consider and,if appropriate, take action pursuant to Wis. Stats §19.85(1)(c) "Considering employment, promotion, compensation or performance evaluation data of any public employee over which the governmental body has jurisdiction or exercise responsibility.'" The Board, if appropriate, will return to open session following the closed session to take action on the items discussed in the closed session.

ADJOURNMENT
This meeting is a public meeting of the Board of Education for the purpose of conducting the School District's business and is not to be considered a public hearing. There may be a time for public comment during the meeting as indicated in the agenda.

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STATE OF WISCONSIN, CIRCUIT COURT, JACKSON COUNTY
IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF
Chris C. Emerson
Notice to Creditors (Informal Administration)
Case No.26-PR-36

PLEASE TAKE NOTICE:

1. An application for informal administration was filed.
2. The decedent, with date of birth 9/16/1948 and date of death 4/19/2026, was domiciled in Jackson County, State of Wisconsin, with a mailing address of N7582 County Rd E, Black River Falls, WI 54615 .
3. All interested persons have waived notice.
4. The deadline for filing a claim against the decedent's estate is 01/13/2027.
5. A claim may be filed at the Jackson County Courthouse, Black River Falls, Wisconsin, Room C207.

Electronically signed by
Beth L. Hammond
Probate Registrar
Sept. 30, 2026
Sarah Emerson
N7582 County Rd E
Black River Falls, WI 54615
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The Towers, LLC proposes to build a 165 Monopole Communications Tower. Anticipated lighting application is medium intensity dual red/white strobes. The Site location is N6668 County Road A, Black River Falls, Jackson County, WI 54615, Lat: 44-18-46.27, Long: -90-51-37.79. The Federal Communications Commission (FCC) Antenna Structure Registration (ASR, Form 854) filing number is A 1379941. ENVIRONMENTAL EFFECTS - Interested persons may review the application (www.fcc.gov/asr/applications by entering the filing number. The FCC requires Requests for Environmental Review to be filed electronically. Instructions for filing can be found at: (www.fcc.gov/asr/environmentalrequest).
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STATE OF WISCONSIN, CIRCUIT COURT, JACKSON COUNTY
IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF
BRICE L. HEFNER
Date of Death: Juy 1, 2026
Notice to Creditors (Informal Administration)
Case No.26-PR-34

PLEASE TAKE NOTICE:

1. An application for informal administration was filed.
2. The decedent, with date of birth November 29, 1962 and date of death July 1, 2026, was domiciled in Jackson County, State of Wisconsin, with a mailing address of Pine View Care Center, 400 County Road R, Black River Falls, WI 54615 .
3. All interested persons have waived notice.
4. The deadline for filing a claim against the decedent's estate is January 5, 2027.
5. A claim may be filed at the Jackson County Courthouse, 307 Main St., Black River Falls, Wisconsin.

Electronically signed by
Beth L. Hammond
Probate Registrar
Sept. 25, 2026
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